

after August '85 and we want to give them two more years. Senator Lamb and I are co-sponsoring this bill. I ask your support for the bill.

PRESIDENT: Is there further discussion on LB 405? If not, the motion is to advance the bill to E & R. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. We're voting on the advancement of LB 405 from General File. Please record your vote. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance LB 405.

PRESIDENT: LB 405 is advanced. LB 49.

CLERK: LB 49 was a bill introduced by Senator Hefner. (Read title.) It was first read on January 10 and referred to the Government Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I move the advancement of LB 49. This bill is a two-part bill. I'll explain the first part first. The first part adds definitions for active duty and active duty for training to the language dealing with the veterans aid fund. The definition for active duty is full-time duty in the armed forces, other than active duty for training. The definition for active duty for training is full-time duty in the armed forces performed by reserves for training purposes. These two definitions are considered clarifying language and necessary to further describe eligibility for state veterans benefits. It is also intended to avoid misinterpretation by individuals having only periods of activity duty for training with a reserve component of the armed forces. This bill was brought to me or brought to my attention by Mr. Gonzales, Department of Veterans Affairs. The Nebraska Veterans Council and the American Legion supported this bill. The second part of the bill corrects and updates the current language in Statute 80-401.03. This is the veterans aid fund. Many of you remember that in the years past we've always tried to increase the veterans aid fund. We did increase this from time to time. This statute says that we have \$8 million in it. We now have \$12 million in that fund and we achieved this last year. But somehow or